

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 30, 2011

H.R. 1160 McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 15, 2011

H.R. 1160 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the state of North Carolina. Based on information provided by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Enacting H.R. 1160 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

The state of North Carolina currently manages the fish hatchery and pays all operating and maintenance costs under a Memorandum of Understanding with the USFWS. Under the bill, the USFWS could use fish hatchery facilities for certain purposes if the agency reimbursed the state for any costs it incurred. The agency would make reimbursement payments from amounts made available in annual appropriation acts. Based on information provided by the USFWS regarding the operating budget for the fish hatchery, CBO estimates that any reimbursements would be less than \$150,000 a year.

H.R. 1160 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The land conveyance authorized in the bill would benefit North Carolina. Any costs to the state would be incurred voluntarily.

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